IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Bertram CEZANNE, et al. Serial No.: 10/582,850 Filed: June 14, 2006

Title: Carboxamide Derivatives

Examiner: Noble E. Jarrell Group Art Unit: 1624

STATUS INQUIRY LETTER

Mail Stop: Petition Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants request an update regarding the current status of the above-identified application, including withdrawal of the finality of Office Action of October 20, 2008; the Response to the October 20, 2008 Office Action, filed December 29, 2008; entry of the Amendments presented on December 29, 2008; and the decision on the Petition filed December 29, 2008.

No fee is believed to be due with this inquiry, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this inquiry or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,

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